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This supplemental examiner's answer is in response to the "Order Returning Undocketed Appeal to Examiner" mailed July 29, 2004.

The application was ORDERED returned to the examiner for the following point:

1) physical entry of the amendment filed July 14, 2003; and

The amendment has been physically entered.

Having addressed said matters noted by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, no further action is necessary at this time. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kevin R Kruer whose telephone number is 571-272-1510. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Deborah Jones, can be reached on 703-272-1535. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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